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WOMAN CLAIMS SHE WAS BOBBED

Lone Highwayman Takes
\$42 Saturday Night It
Is Claimed.

City and county officers are puzzled over the story of Mrs. Ida Huse, who claims to have been robbed of \$42 by an unknown person in the Katy yards Saturday night.

According to the officers the lady has told several different stories of the robbery and so far an investigation of the case has failed to disclose information of a nature that will justify the preferring of criminal charges against any certain person.

One of the stories told by Mrs. Huse in to the effect that she left the home of Clyde Boyd in the 500 block on North Townsend, about 8:30 Saturday evening in company with Mr. Boyd, expecting to go to the Katy depot and take a train for Oklahoma City.

The two persons were passing through the Katy yards when a man approached and demanded that they turn north and proceed as directed by him. This man displayed a gun threateningly and the two did as he directed.

Under his direction they proceeded to a point near the Glass Factory when the bandit commanded them to stop. First, he searched Boyd, taking two dollars and a pocket knife from his pockets. Next he took charge of the purse which contained fifty dollars, the property of Mrs. Huse.

After taking from the purse as much of the money as she wanted he handed the purse back to her and escaped in the darkness. Upon reaching the Katy depot Mrs. Huse discovered that the robber had left \$7.00 in the purse.

Mrs. Huse notified the police of the robbery about thirty minutes later, and the story which she told led the officers to hold Boyd for investigation, and placed under arrest a man named Strandridge, both of whom were released after an investigation.

Another story told by Mrs. Huse indicated that the robbery had been committed by a policeman, but so far nothing incriminating has been established against anyone.

Mrs. Huse came to Ada a week ago and had worked at the Boyd home since Tuesday of last week, helping with the household duties while Mrs. Boyd was sick. She had finished her work there and was expecting to leave for Oklahoma City the evening the robbery is reported to have occurred.

She is still in the city and expects to remain here a few days in the hope that the robber may be discovered and her money returned.

You owe it to the community to trade with the merchants who advertise. They make your daily paper and the paper makes the town.

TULSA FILLED WITH ROBBERS

Police Chief Advises Merchants to Arm and Shoot To Kill.

(By the Associated Press.)
TULSA, Dec. 27.—Following a series of daring robberies, capped by a lone bandit robbing a drug store of \$700.00 and thieves breaking a window and robbing a store of furs valued at \$2000.00, police commissioner J. M. Adkinson, advised merchants to station armed guards at their entrances and shoot down men who attempted to enter.

"I think firearms should be kept in every store and they should be guarded all the time. If a few of them are shot down at their work there will be less crime."

DONAGHEY HOTEL AT ALLEN PARTLY BURNS

The Donaghey hotel at Allen caught fire in the second story Saturday morning and considerable damage was done between the walls and to the ceilings before the citizens finally got the flames extinguished.

Through the carelessness of one of the guests, it is understood, a gas stove was turned over in one of the upper story rooms, setting fire to the building. In the absence of a fire department it devolved upon the citizens who heard the alarm to go to the rescue of the building, and it was after hard fighting for more than an hour that the flames were extinguished. It was not learned just what damage to the building was estimated to be.

Wade Vaughn Accidentally Shot This Morning

Wade Vaughn, 20 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Vaughn, 318 East 14th street was accidentally shot through the right hip while removing the loads from an automatic pistol at his home this morning.

The young man had removed the magazine from the gun, a 32 caliber Colt automatic, but had failed to remove the cartridge from the barrel of the gun. Accidentally snapping the gun the cartridge in the barrel exploded and sent the bullet crashing through the flesh and bone of his right hip.

The doctor who examined the wound reports that the bullet made a clean passage through the hip and did not shatter the bone. While the injury will confine him to the bed for two or three weeks it is not thought that any serious defect will result.

As Predicted by Secretary of Treasury Houston and Governor Harding of the Federal Reserve Board, and as Viewed by Messrs. Optimist and Pessimist.



LEADERS CLASH ON TARIFF BILL

Hitchcock Charges Republicans Trying to "Rush" Measure.

(By the Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Republican and democratic leaders in the senate clashed today over the house emergency tariff bill. Characterizing the measure as an embargo bill and a "shocking proposition," to restrict American commerce, Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska, democratic leader, proposed that the bill instead of being referred as a tariff measure to the finance committee be sent to the commerce committee. He charged that the republicans proposed to "rush through" the measure, practically without consideration.

PROMINENT MAN KILLS SON-IN-LAW

(By the Associated Press.)
POTEAU, Dec. 27.—Questioning of P. P. Dismukes, prominent insurance man, who is in jail as a result of the killing of his son-in-law, O. M. Varner, age 25, commander of the local post of the American Legion and a lieutenant in the army during the late war, is expected to be held sometime today.

County authorities say that no charge has been lodged against Dismukes, who telephoned the sheriff following the shooting of Varner at the Dismukes home yesterday morning at 10 o'clock.

Dismukes, it is announced, will apply for his release on bond. He claims self defense. County officials are in possession of a revolver found near the body of Varner. Dismukes says Varner made an effort to draw a weapon. This move, Dismukes says, caused him to fire at Varner three times, two of the shots took effect producing instant death.

REAL BEER FOUND IN CHICKEN COOPS

(By the Associated Press.)
MUSKOGEE, Dec. 27.—One hundred quarts of beer testing 4.73 per cent alcohol, according to federal officers, were found beneath a row of chicken coops at the home of Mollie Teel at Coalgate by revenue officers today. Officers say the coops were built as a blind to hide the brewery.



MISS EVA SPARKS

Perhaps one of the most enthusiastic contestants in the late News Circulation Campaign was little Eva Sparks. As a result of her efforts she now owns one of Edison's finest machines. Miss Sparks has been showered with records from her host of friends for the Edison and she is heartily appreciative. Eva says "Please say to everyone who did the least little thing for me during the contest that I do appreciate it all very much and shall always remember them all personally."

GAS CASES TO BE HEARD TOMORROW

(By the Associated Press.)
OKLAHOMA CITY, Dec. 27.—Further hearing of the valuation figures of the Oklahoma Gas & Electric Co., and the Muskogee Gas & Electric Co., will be taken up tomorrow by the state corporation commission, it was stated today at the commission office. The companies have announced that the hearing is to obtain readjustment of wholesale electric rates and to give a basis for better financing.

Library for Miami.

(By the Associated Press.)
MIAMI, Dec. 23.—A campaign to secure Miami's subscription of \$3,000, necessary to obtain a gift of \$10,000 from the Carnegie library building fund for the erection of a library, has been launched here under the direction of Mayor W. S. O'Bannon and city officials. Revised plans of the Carnegie library building have already been drawn. The city has provided for the maintenance of the library and a substantial collection of books has been secured by donations. The plans for the building contemplate a structure one story high, with basement, and is to be erected on a site near the high school building already acquired by the city.

HARDING WILL GO TO FLORIDA

Will Winter in Sunny South After Next Week's Conferences.

(By the Associated Press.)
MARION, Dec. 27.—Turning from the consideration of foreign policies to a discussion of domestic problems, President-elect Harding plans to hold conferences this week with a number of senate and house leaders. Some time next week he expects to leave his home here for a trip to Florida, where he will rest and hold conferences until March 4, when he will be inaugurated.

SECY. HOUSTON FLAYS BONUS BILL

(By the Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The treasury secretary declared enactment of the bill meant an added burden in the way of taxes, reiterating a statement made before the committee last week, that the treasury ought not be called upon to assume any additional burdens.

While Mr. Houston said it was impossible to compute accurately the exact cost of each of the four optional aid plans, he believed the estimate submitted was substantial correct.

Provisions of the bill contain so many uncertainties, he added, that the cost entailed by them could only be guessed at.

Assuming that all of the men would select one of the four optional plans, Mr. Houston estimated the cost of each as follows:

Adjusted service pay, \$1,342,000,000; Insurance provision, \$4,534,000,000; Vocational training, \$1,880,000,000; Farm and home development, \$1,880,000,000.

As the plans were optional, the secretary said, the choice of the men would not be confined to any one of them, and allowing for the various selections he arrived at his total estimated cost of \$2,300,000,000.

Notice, Masons!
Ada Lodge 119 will meet tonight at 7:30 o'clock for work in the Master's Degree. The degree work will be put on by past masters of Ada Lodge. Masons are urged to attend. F. C. Simms, Secretary.

NIGHT WATCH ARRESTED FRI.

Ajssault With Dangerous
Weapon Charge Against
Ada Officer.

Frank Palmore, a night watchman on the city police force was arrested Friday night on a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon upon the person of Bert Greer, who at the time was in his custody. The preliminary hearing was set for 1 o'clock this afternoon but the case had not been called for at 2:30 p. m.

It is said that Palmore had been called to Reed's store where he arrested Greer on a disorderly charge and proceeded to the city jail with him. At the door of the jail Greer held back and did not enter the jail willingly and according to witnesses Palmore pulled out his gun and struck Greer in the head, knocked him down and continued to beat him with the gun after he had fallen.

Friends of the man who was beaten up called Judge Brown from his home and had a warrant issued for Palmore that night. He gave bond and his trial was set for preliminary hearing this afternoon.

Greer, the injured man, has lived in Ada for a number of years and is said to be an orderly, well-behaved citizen, well liked by many friends who expect to see that he is vindicated if the officer has acted beyond authority of the law.

Oil Prices Are Cut.

(By the Associated Press.)
PITTSBURGH, Dec. 27.—The first cut in the price of crude oil for more than three years was announced today when the principal purchasing agencies posted \$4.00 a barrel for the grade known as corning, a reduction of 25 cents a barrel. Corning is an Ohio oil; all other grades were posted unchanged.

OKLAHOMA IS IN GRIP OF WORST NORTHER OF YEAR

(By the Associated Press.)
OKLAHOMA CITY, Dec. 27.—A "norther" which descended on Oklahoma yesterday afternoon today held the state generally in the grip of the coldest weather this winter. The weather bureau here reported a minimum temperature of 12.2 degrees at 8 o'clock this morning, virtually two degrees colder than at any time this winter.

Warmer weather, however, is forecast for the state tonight and tomorrow.

Gas pressure here was reported nearly normal. No snow is expected here.

Forest Phipps Resigns.

(By the Associated Press.)
MUSKOGEE, Dec. 27.—Forest Phipps, assistant United States district attorney for eastern Oklahoma, resigned today. At the time of his resignation he lived at Stigler.

\$25,000 IN ELEVEN YEARS

By WILL BENNETT

I asked Joe Burrow: "How many \$5,000-a-year men in town accumulate \$25,000 in 11 years? I mean men with salaries of \$5,000 a year?" Mr. Burrow is a veteran Middle West banker with a keen sense of values as to farm men and city men, farm property and city property. That is why I hunted him up to ask that question. He thought for several minutes. His reply was brief and comprehensive.

"None," he said.

"Do \$10,000-a-year men do it, Mr. Burrow?"

"Yes, they do; most of them. But the men on a salary of \$5,000 a year in town or city do not do it. I know and have known quite a number, and they simply don't do it."

"I know a farmer who's done it," I replied.

"Oh that's different," said Mr. Burrow. "He's a business man. The farm boy on \$30 a month will accumulate more than the city boy on \$100, both living at home and paying no board. It's the same with their fathers. The town man, unless he has a business that forces him to put his earnings back into it, is automatically educated as a spender. But what about your farmer; how did he do it?"

"With a pair of scales. Want the story?"

He said he did and here it is, as I gave it to my banker, knowing that I must maintain a reputation for truth with him:

The man is A. B. Wilcox. He lives in Shawnee county, Kansas. He was born in Ontario, Canada, where he worked as a hired hand for \$8 to \$13 a month and where he took time to go to school after he was 21. He came to Cass county, Nebraska, in 1883 and rented a farm for three years. In 1886 he went to Perkins county, Nebraska, then a part of Keith county, and homesteaded a claim. He had taken out citizenship papers in the meantime. He saw Western Nebraska go through three pioneer booms and two slumps, when land sold for 50 cents an acre.

CLARA SMITH IS AT WILSON TODAY

Wants To Relax and Spend
the Day Quietly She
Says.

(By the Associated Press.)
WILSON, Dec. 27.—Mrs. Clara Smith Hamon is quietly spending the day in Wilson with her sister, Mrs. V. B. Welton, and her brother, Claude Smith.

Mrs. Hamon arrived here late last night from Ardmore, where yesterday afternoon a conference was held between Mrs. Hamon's attorneys, Mathers & Coakley of Ardmore, and W. P. McLean and W. P. McLean Jr., of Fort Worth, Texas, counsel for her defense. Preliminary arrangements were made at the conference for her trial in connection with the death of Jake L. Hamon, republican national committeeman from Oklahoma, attorneys afterward declared.

"I plan to devote this day entirely to rest and relaxation. I hope I am not compelled to see anyone. I want to enjoy only my family," Mrs. Hamon said today.

Unless Mrs. Hamon desires to leave Wilson of her own volition she would not be requested to visit her attorneys again today her counsel said last night. It was her intention to remain here for a few days, Mrs. Hamon said, spending only whatever time was needed in Ardmore.

FURTHER LIGHT ON FINANCE COMING

(By the Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Further light on the nation's financial condition, present and prospective, was expected to be given the senate finance committee today by secretary of the treasury, Houston, the object of which is to obtain information on which to base tax legislation and appropriation measures, was interrupted by the holiday recess.

Mr. Houston already has told the committee the nation faces a deficit of more than a billion dollars at the end of the fiscal year, and in view of this he will be asked for advice regarding the bill for a bonus for former service men.

MOTHER OF LEADING PUBLISHER DIES

ANTHONY, Kan., Dec. 27.—Mrs. Harriett Elam, mother of Richard P. Elam, published of the Pawhuska Capitol and the Interstate Farmer at Tulsa and president of the Oklahoma Press association, died here yesterday.

Christmas Day in Ada Was Sane As Well as the Merry Reports Indicate

Another Christmas day has come and, after lingering for a brief space of time, has glided slowly away to take its place in memory's corridors beside the other days of Yuletide joy.

There was no essential difference between the Christmas of 1920 and the Christmas of 1920, or any intervening Christmas and the one just past. In the final analysis they are all the same.

They are all enjoyed in their passing. True, the youngsters seem to get the most out of the day while the elders think most of the past and of the good times of their youth. Sometimes they wonder if the kids really enjoy the day as they enjoyed it in the long ago. This is the same old story, and forty years hence the minds of the youth of this generation, grown to manhood and a sane womanhood, will be occupied with the same thoughts concerning the young folks around them.

Each age will get its full share of joy and sorrow. Each of the churches of the city had Christmas trees on Christmas eve, and large crowds attended each. Everyone present received some present, and a merry time was had.

Each of the ward schools had their Christmas programs on the afternoon of Thursday the 23rd. Well filled trees were present at each of the schools and none of the school children were overlooked by Santa Claus.

Free-will donations of clothing and food were made at each of the ward schools by the pupils, and the donations from the Hayes and Willard wards were turned over to the Red Cross to be distributed to those in need. The donations of the Irvin and Glenwood schools were distributed within the wards under the direction of the principals of the schools.

The high school pupils had their Christmas program at the chapel service Thursday morning. A do-

nation of \$40 was made by the high school student body to a Christmas charity fund and was distributed by the students under the direction of Mrs. Sneed, secretary of the local charities.

The Christmas stocking fund, which was collected by Mrs. Sneed for the purpose of carrying the joys of the season to the poor of the city, was very successful, in the neighborhood of \$200 being donated by various organizations and citizens of Ada, and over 200 well filled stockings being distributed to those who would otherwise have received no presents.

It was the purpose of the Red Cross and the United Charities of the city to see that no one was overlooked, and every case brought to their attention was attended to, and it is thought that the record of the city for its charitable work of the past during the Christmas season was maintained.

Fewer marriage licenses were issued during Christmas week this year than has been the custom of the past, only eight couples having applied during the week. These were Ed Jones and Miss Maudie Medley of Bebe, Russell Head and Miss Bertha Ioneb of Ada, Carl Lautz and Miss Cleo Swifferd of Ada, George Robins and Miss E. Nichols and Miss Tina Simmons of Ada, Mat Malicoat and Miss Martha Ashburn of Stowall, George W. Hanners of Fairbury, Neb. and Miss Rosa Pearl Allen of Stratford and Fred Acton and Miss Vivian Simmons of Ada.

Not only was it a merry Christmas, but police records for the day indicate that it was also a sane one. Usually the season is regarded as a signal for increased drinking by those whose ideal of a perfect Christmas includes a big drunk. Many other cities of the state report a number of arrests but there were very few exceptions here to the usual rule of sobriety for which Ada is becoming famous.

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REAL TREASURES:—Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.—Matthew 6, 19-21.

MORE ABOUT TAXES.

The other day several of the leading farmers of this county called on us to talk about legislation that may come before the legislature this winter. During our conversation the matter of taxes came up and our visitors asked us to explain how taxes came to be so high this year. They wanted to know if something cannot be done to reduce expenditures and consequently reduce taxes.

In illustrating to our visitors where our tax money goes we took for example an Ada taxpayer. In this city our tax total for the present year is 50 1-4 mills. Of this total only 2 mills is a state tax. If the state tax were wiped out entirely, the rate in Ada would still be 48 1-4 mills. The rate in the rural districts is less than it is in Ada and varies according to the levy voted in each school district and the bonded indebtedness of that district.

Aside from the state tax of the several school districts, the county rate this year is 9 3-10 mills. Last year the county rate was 2 7-10 mills less than it is this year, being only 6 6-10 mills last year. The increase of 2 7-10 mills this year in the county levy is due principally to increased appropriations for bridges, increased salaries for county deputies, and the increased cost of supplies. The erection of five concrete bridges increased the levy materially. Two years ago the legislature increased the salaries of nearly all the county deputies 20 per cent. Everyone knows how all kinds of supplies have increased in price. All these things have helped increase the county levy.

It is interesting to note the variations in the county levy from year to year. In 1915 the rate was 7 1-10 mills. The next year there was a reduction, the rate for 1916 being only 5 mills. For 1917 there was a still further reduction, the rate for that year being only 4 7-10 mills, which seems to be the low record. There was a big increase in 1918, the rate jumping from 4 7-10 mills to 7 mills. In 1919 the rate fell to 6 6-10, only to jump to 9 3-10, the high record in 1920.

The people as a rule are very watchful of the legislature, and properly so. Jealous care should be exercised in electing men to the legislature and the record of that body should be scanned with care. But in so far as money spent is concerned the people sometimes save at the spigot only to lose at the bung hole. They watch the legislature for signs of extravagance and pay very little attention to local school boards and county commissioners. The highest rate of taxes that the citizen has to face is largely controlled by his local school board. Next in importance and size comes the county rate, which is largely determined by the county commissioners.

And while watching every legislator and school board member and county commissioner every citizen should put in full time watching himself. No legislature and no school board and no board of county commissioners can reduce taxes or enforce economy when the people vote bonds for all manner of improvements. It is admitted, of course, that bond issues are frequently a vital necessity. But voting them insures a high tax rate, and a large part of the high tax rate for which the legislature is blamed is due to the action of the people themselves in voting bonds for all kinds of projects.

A RIDDLE IN COTTON.

The average price paid for cotton in the entire country in 1919 was 35.6 cents. The average price for Oklahoma was 35.2 cents.

The average price paid for cotton in the entire country for this year has been 14 cents. The average price for Oklahoma has been 10.5 cents.

One year ago Oklahoma cotton commanded a price only 2-5 of a cent less than the average price for the entire cotton belt.

This year Oklahoma cotton has commanded a price 3 1-2 cents less than the average for the entire cotton belt.

We wonder what explanation can be given for this year's discrepancy. We wonder who can give any reasonable explanation for what looks like a rank discrimination.

We have a national department of agriculture at Washington. We also have a state department of agriculture at Oklahoma City. And we have a big agricultural college at Stillwater. We wonder if one of these institutions can explain why the farmers of Oklahoma have been bilked of something like \$17,000,000.

For several years now the state of Oklahoma has been trying to get built a series of improved highways leading to the state capital from the principal cities and towns of the state. A part of this plan has been the collection of all automobile taxes by a central highway department at the state capital. It strikes us that this system is on wrong side before. Roads should begin as community affairs and run from the rural community to the principal trading point of those several communities. In other words roads should be provided for the people and not for inter-state tourists. A proper step in that direction would be the collection of all automobile taxes right in the county where the taxes are paid and by an official of the county.

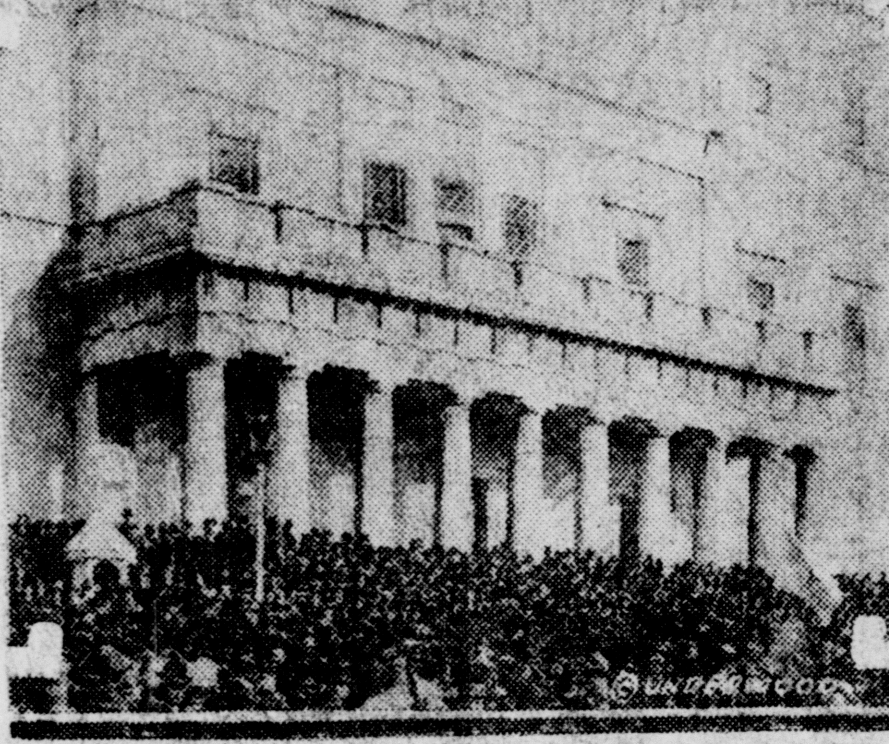
What has become of the very vociferous citizen who a year ago was urging everybody to speed up production?

RETURNING ROYAL FAMILY OF GREECE AND ROYAL PALACE



King Constantine and his family. Left to right, seated: Prince George, Queen Sophia, King Constantine and Princess Catherine. Standing: Princess Helen, Prince Paul and Princess Irene. Below is view of entrance to royal palace taken while a demonstration was on.

The king is back! Long live the king! So shouts Greece as Constantine, king until intrigues with the entente forced him to abdicate his throne, returns from exile to become king once more. The royal family, which returns to the royal palace at Athens, had been in exile in Switzerland until the Greek nation, by plebiscite, called Constantine back. There is still some talk, however, that Constantine may shortly step down in favor of Prince George, eldest of the princes.



BILL WAS BITIN' OF HANK

By ABE MARTIN, JR.

"Doc, we want you to come up to the Klahr saloon, right now. Bill Kelly is bitin' Hank Barton."

"Well, what are you coming for me for? Why the Sam Hill don't you make him stop it?"

"We have been tryin' to make him stop it half an hour and can't do it."

I had dropped into Dr. Walcott's office to hear him tell of the early border days and he was in the midst of a story of guns and bullets when a runner from up town burst into the den-like office back of the fire station and invoked the assistance of the medico in trying to get one drunken cowboy to quit biting another. I followed the pair up the street in the direction of the Klahr saloon. The messenger was anxious to hurry. The doctor who had done much emergency practice in that border cattle town was unexcited and walked leisurely along the rickety board walk.

"What ails Bill?" asked the doctor as he paused for a moment to cut a fresh chew of tobacco.

The messenger answered over his shoulder as he proceeded forward through the drifting fog. "The boys were sitting at a table drinking a little and talkin' and laughin' and rawhidin' each other an' Bill got Hank by the ear and won't turn loose. It kinder surprised us, for they had been jovin' each other and had their arms about each other when Bill took hold of Hank's ear. Klahr has been cussin' Bill and we throwed some water on him, but Bill just sits there enjoyin' himself. Hank is most crazy by now."

I had seen gun fights in the town several times and knew from the noise and excitement in Klahr that this was something entirely different. The lights were all burning and there were no spurred and booted cowboys under the tables—proof positive that there were no bullets in the air. Besides that there was lots of conversation, and cowmen never interrupt a battle of bullets with empty conversation.

A dozen men, some of them comfortably loaded with liquor, were offering suggestions. None of them seemed to enjoy the fun; rather there was general resentment that one of the clan should introduce mayhem into the community in violation of all precedents and regulations. There was the usual amount of profanity. A few were energetically busy around a small table that stood well back in a corner of the saloon.

Two men covered the table. Both had been well drenched with ice water which had only help muss up the participants in the comedy without serving in anyway to terminate the festivities. The long shaggy hair and drooping mustaches of the two men were so well blended that it was not easy to accurately gauge their expressions, but it was easy to see that one of the two was enjoying himself. He had long since quit trying to jerk himself loose from his neighbor; the process evidently had proved too painful. His short arm punches at his neighbor's head had wrought fully as much damage on his own countenance as on that of the man who was about to mar him for life. The sufferer had now resigned himself to the torture, but was earnestly pleading with the bystanders for effective relief and "be damned quick."

But Bill Kelly was enjoying himself. There was no doubting that fact. The expression on his face, in spite of the ice water that trickled through his hair and down his neck, was an expression of superlative satisfaction. His shaggy mustache was somewhat uplifted as he waded his superior lip in order to give full power to his teeth. He sat firmly as the rock of ages and one shoulder and elbow set like a bull to receive the rush of an enemy, and bearing all evidence of determination to spend the night

with Hank Barton's left ear in his mouth.

The physician approached the table and as the crowd stepped back perfectly willing for Walcott to take charge of the case he surveyed the field with a cool professional eye. A pleased expression crept slowly over his face. Here was a new experience. Although he had ridden the border for twenty odd years, had cut down rustlers from the gnarled cottonwoods of lonely canyons, and had salved the sufferers following the fight between cowmen and rangers in front of that very saloon, he had never seen anything like this. Being something new it was not to be spoiled in a hurry. He took his time.

One could see that it was with reluctance that the doctor finally addressed himself to motion. As if repressing a sigh, as if giving pain in the interest of mercy, he finally applied long and capable fingers to Bill Kelly's neck. Coolly searching until he found the desired location he applied all the steam of his practiced muscles. He proceeded to shut off absolutely and entirely the breath supply of Kelly's carcass.

The effect could not be said to be instantaneous or even rapid. But it was complete. When the reaction came it came with marked and satisfactory suddenness. It came like an unsuspected explosion. Quickly as the bark of a forty-five Kelly's jaws flew open—wide open. And his eyes opening at the same identical moment bore an expression of pained reproof. It was easy to see that he considered his evening's enjoyment completely spoiled.

Some days later I met Dr. Walcott at the postoffice. "Are you very busy nowadays, Doc?" I asked him. His reply was not hurried and when it came had a substratum of dis-

gust. "Just filing teeth—that's all. Every cowman on Little Robe is having his teeth sharpened."

Sunday School Report.		
Sunday, December 26, 1920.		
Church	At.	Col.
Baptist	288	\$15.09
Methodist	204	10.00
Nazarene	140	5.32
Christian	130	5.27
Oak Ave. Baptist	87	3.62
Episcopal	14	1.08

HOTEL FIRE CAUSE OF A NEAR PANIC

(By the Associated Press)
CINCINNATI, Dec. 27.—More than a score of women and children were partially overcome and a panic among the two hundred guests was narrowly averted during a fire in the Burnett House here early today.
The fire originated in a store-room in the basement of the ho-

tel and within a few minutes clouds of smoke filled the hallways of the five upper floors.
Firemen succeeded in rescuing all the occupants of the building, however, and the fire was confined to the basement.

Turn to the want ad page.

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"WHY PAY MORE"

HERE'S A TIP, GENTLEMEN



If a man came into your place of business with several days growth of beard on his face, a rubber collar, trousers bagging at the knees, a general unkempt appearance, and introduced himself as president of the Bank of Commerce of Chicago, you would be apt to call him a liar, or an insane man, wouldn't you?

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Have gone to their eternal rest.
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towers
(Time-eaten towers that tremble
not)
Resemble nothing that is ours.
Around, by lifting winds forgot,
Resignedly beneath the sky
The melancholy waters lie.

—Poe.

Friday evening another happy wedding took place at the corner of 15th and Mississippi, the same corner where a wedding took place the previous evening. This time it was Miss Vivian Simmons, sister to Miss Tina, who was married the evening before. The marriage was solemnized by C. V. Dunn, minister of the First Christian church. Just a few of the nearest friends were present. Miss Simmons is one of the finest young ladies of Ada. She has been a student in the Normal until recently, and is one of the best young church workers in the city, being a very active member of the Christian Endeavor society of the Christian church. The friends of this young couple wish them much happiness.

Miss Vera MacMillan is a visitor in Holdenville today.

George Hansard is in Oklahoma City this week visiting his parents.

Verne Vincent of Wichita Falls, Texas, is here visiting friends this week.

W. H. Steele returned today to his work in Duncan after spending Christmas with his family here.

Misses Alta and Inez Marsh spent the week-end with relatives and friends near Konawa.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Hodges are in Marlow this week visiting relatives.

Miss Kathleen Love left Saturday for Sulphur where she will spend a week visiting relatives and friends.

Miss Winnifred Rhodus spent the Christmas holidays with relatives in Perry and Covington, Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mason of Durant spent the holidays here visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. T. R. Lowell of Atoka, was visiting friends in the city over Christmas.

Mrs. Frank Harkrider is visiting relatives in Fort Worth this week.

J. B. Cole returned today from Fort Worth where he spent the Christmas holidays with relatives.

A. M. Stuart of Centrahoma spent yesterday in the city visiting his sister, Mrs. John Agnew.

Miss Minnie Cox is spending the holidays at Roff visiting relatives and friends.

T. Z. Reynolds of Henryetta is here visiting E. T. Burk and family for the week.

Hubert Winter left today for his home in Wetumka after spending the past week with friends in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Steed returned yesterday to their home in Maud after spending the week-end with relatives in the city.

Miss Alma Kimbrough of Atoka, is here visiting Miss Jennie Lou Rogers at her home on East 14th street this week.

Rev. M. A. Cassidy left today for Nashville, Tenn., where he will attend a conference of the Southern Methodist evangelists.

G. P. Merrell of Beggs returned to his home in that place today after spending the holidays here with relatives and friends.

T. H. Benton and family left today for their home in Caddo after spending Christmas here with Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Benton.

J. H. Benton returned to his home in Caddo yesterday after spending Christmas here with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Scargill returned last night from Sapulpa, Oklahoma, where they spent the Christmas holidays in the city visiting

VICE PRESIDENT'S BANQUET TO PAGES OF SENATE IS A VERY POPULAR EVENT



The pages receiving Vice President Marshall's invitation.

The biggest event of the year in Washington, D. C., to the youthful pages in the senate is Vice President Marshall's annual banquet in their honor. The custom of entertaining and feasting the boys on Christmas day was inaugurated by Marshall the first year he was vice president and has continued each year since. The picture shows what delight the boys greeted his announcement of the coming banquet.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Barnes. Mr. Brown will return to his home in that city this afternoon and Mrs. Brown will remain here for several days before returning home.

Miss Inez Love is spending the holidays with friends in Muskogee and will visit in McAlester before returning to her home here.

Richard Scargill was in the city yesterday visiting. He stopped off here on his way from Coalgate to his home in Schuler.

Miss Mabel Arnold of Chickasha was in the city last week visiting friends, returning to her home at that place yesterday.

Miss Exer Nolen, who has been teaching at Forgan, Okla., is here spending the holidays with her parents and other relatives and friends.

Loe Bell left today for his home in Ranger, Texas, after spending the past week in the city visiting friends.

Cleve Harris and family have returned from Madill where they spent the Christmas holidays with relatives.

Bostick Roddie and family have returned to Fort Worth after visiting over Christmas with his mother, Mrs. W. L. Roddie of this city.

Mrs. Bradley of Oklahoma City arrived in the city today to spend a few days visiting Mr. and Mrs. Lon Brawley and family.

Miss Cleo Blackwell of Lexington is here visiting her sister, Mrs. J. W. Spencer and family, for a few days.

Obituary

Theodora Benton, aged 71 years, died at his home eight miles east of Roff Friday evening at 8 o'clock. Funeral services were held at the cemetery and the body was laid to rest in the East Cemetery of Roff on Saturday, December 25, at 4 o'clock. He leaves a wife and two daughters and one son to mourn his absence.

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City Briefs

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J. A. Biles is confined to his home today on account of illness.

Ada Seed & Feed Co., Phone 697. 11-3-1m.

A. C. Chauncey of Hobart was a business visitor in the city today.

Dr. M. J. Beets, osteopath, First National Bldg. Phones 732-853. 12-15-1f

C. A. Cummings was a business visitor near Roff Saturday afternoon.

Dr. Ella D. Coltrane Osteopathic Physician. Phone 1002 and 156.

Phone 244 about our Christmas ice cream specials. 12-17-1f

M. R. Chilcutt left today for Muskogee where he will spend a short time on business.

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Big reduction on everything in our store until the first of January. Oriental and Novelty Shop.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Wellington of Oklahoma City are business visitors in the city today.

Very special prices on every thing in our store this week. Oriental and Novelty Shop. 12-27-1f

For your Christmas parties one of our ice cream specials will make it complete. Phone 244. 12-17-1f

K. B. Lee and wife of Purcell were visiting in the city for a short time today.

L. B. Clary of Sapulpa will arrive in Ada today for a visit with his sister, Mrs. Harmon Ebey.

J. D. Clements of Stratford spent yesterday and today in the city on business.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Marshall of Allen were in the city today on business.

John Hughes spent Saturday and Sunday in Sulphur where he went Saturday to attend the funeral of his mother.

Mrs. O. Y. Merrill of Holdenville arrived in the city yesterday to spend several days on business and visiting friends.

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H. H. King of Francis arrived in the city yesterday and spent yesterday and today in the city on business.

Grant Irwin advised us that Old Dragus is still in town ready to pull anytime he is needed. Phone 2. 9-10-1m

L. L. Jennings left today for Sapulpa where he will spend a few days looking after business matters.

Grant Irwin has a very large battery outfit with an expert in charge, phone 2, for battery trouble. 9-10-1m

We thank you for your patronage and will give you the advantage of very special prices until January 1.—Oriental and Novelty Shop. 12-27-1f

Henry Marsh arrived in the city Friday from Konawa to spend the holidays with his family. He will return to that place where he will look after business matters.

Offie Penick, who is attending the Oklahoma University, was the guest of Miss Vera Dagg here before returning to his home at Altus to spend the Christmas holidays.

Miss Ola Arnold of Ardmore, is in the city the guest of Miss Wanda Brown. Miss Arnold and Miss Brown are roommates at Kidd-Key college, Sherman.

J. A. Harden returned last Saturday from Helena, Arkansas, where he spent several days looking after business matters and visiting friends.

O. E. Parker returned yesterday from Lacygne, Kansas, where he spent several days last week attending the funeral of his mother and visiting relatives.

John Smith, vice president of the First National bank, left Saturday morning for El Paso, Texas, in response to a message giving the sad news of the death of his aged mother who lived at that place.

Pontotoc County Club Formed at Okla. University

The boys and girls in the University of Oklahoma from Pontotoc county have formed a Pontotoc County club for the purpose of keeping in closer touch with affairs in the home county.

A similar club has been formed by the students in the university from the various counties represented, and it is expected that the boys and girls who attend the

university from the various counties of the state may have an organization which will enable the students to keep in close touch with general affairs in the home county.

The following boys and girls of Pontotoc county are members of the county organization: Lillian Faust, Ada; Verne Walters, Ada; Odeal Lock, 458 College street, Ada; Ernest B. Ward, 430 College street, Ada; John Robert Craig, Ada; Hubert Bale, 708 Debarre, Ada; Virgil C. Cottingham, 760 Henkens street; Elbert C. Eaves, 517 Blvd.; Milton B. Malloy, 320 E. Comanche; Annie Carol Simpson, Ada; M. F. Haynes, Ada; Garrett Helen Fuller, Ada.

The following officers were chosen for the club at its first meeting: President, E. O. Davis; vice president, Virgil C. Cottingham, secretary, Helen Garrett; corresponding secretary, Ernest B. Ward; treasurer, M. F. Haynes.

The club will hold meeting each month, and sooner if required. It will be the purpose of the organization to keep in close personal touch with home conditions and cause any matters of general interest to be brought before the club for consideration.

Not only will the club represent the county before the organization but it will also represent the organization and the University

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of Oklahoma to the residents of the county.

Many of the members of the organization are well known in this city and those who have matters in hand wherein help is needed that can be furnished by the university or who have information that would be of interest to the university should not fail to make the matter known.

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The majority of these men are going to turn a part of these cash gifts into sound, sensible—bankable and dividend paying Suits and O'Coats. And this store is going to get more than its share of that business because we are giving more than the usual share of VALUE.

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Just a few more days before this great stock of merchandise will be invoiced. We find after the Christmas rushes odds and ends of high grade seasonable goods that will either have to be invoiced or else sold at a great loss. We have decided to follow the latter way. Remember just a short while in which to secure these year-end bargains.

From top to bottom of this store every bit of Merchandise has been strikingly reduced. You can now buy that deferred Gift at One-Fourth Off!

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Choice of entire stock at exactly
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When you can buy First Quality French Ivory at 1-4 of our regular prices you are getting value.

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Remarkable Values

In other lines of Holiday Goods that are also seasonable the whole year 'round. You will really benefit by looking over these values before inventory is taken for some really wonderful values are given.

Some Silk Underwear
One-Fourth Off

Some Silk Petticoats
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Some SWEaters
One-Fourth Off

Toys

If you have forgotten any little one, now is your opportunity to select from our entire assortment that comprises our much talked of TOYLAND.

1/4 Off

Every toy in the house from cap pistols to autos placed on tables in the basement in a wonderful array of representative American-made goods.

High grade Dolls also included in this half-price Sale of after-Christmas Gift Goods.

Dolls, Dolls, and more Dolls that really look like real babies. The best Dolls that can be bought in this continent assembled for your choosing at exactly

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Coming Tuesday

Theda Bara in "Kathleen Mavourneen"

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GOTO THEATRE

McSwain. Positively the best show that ever played this theater open today for a week's engagement. It's the American Beauty show. This is a big-time vaudeville show, having with them "The Five Alarcons" Spanish operatic singers and dancers, that is a show in themselves. Lew Marshall, blackface, formerly a song writer, the Kett's Dancers and Comedians. Their opening bill is "The Turtle." Come and see it tonight.

Lillian Gish, the pretty screen player, was never more weary in her life than when she finished directing her sister Dorothy's latest picture, "Remodeling Her Husband," which will come to the McSwain theater today.

The picture marked Lillian Gish's debut and farewell as a director. It all came about when she happened to wander onto the "set" where vivacious Dorothy was making preparations for her new comedy. Lillian offered a few shrewd suggestions.

"Why not direct the picture?" offered Dorothy suddenly. "You'd do a wonderful job, I know." So Lillian consented. And, just as she does in her work on the screen, she put every ounce of energy she had into it. She worked all day and late into the night. In spite of the fact that she is of a frail delicate physique. When the last scene was finished, she sighed happily.

At the American.

Attired in chaps, checkered skirt and boots with impressive-looking spurs, and wearing a big sombrero at a business-like angle, Mable Normand struts through her latest Goldwyn picture, "Pinto," with all the joy that her dynamic little personality can human up.

Miss Normand is absolutely at home in the part of a ranch girl. Her serious moments are as convincing as her comic antics. As the outraged owner of a pony stolen by Mexicans, Pinto becomes positively ferocious when she captures the thieves and demands that the cowboys beat them up. Her versatility is given a fresh field to plow in "Pinto," and she stimulates laughter, stirs sympathies and generally holds the attention in a tense grip by the sheer power of her acting.

Victor L. Schertzinger wrote the story and directed its production. His strong grasp of plot and the ability to inject human touches and light comedy into situations are noticeable in the handling of "Pinto." Every scene gives evidence of Mr. Schertzinger's directorial influence. "Pinto" is well up to the Goldwyn standard technically. The company went to no end of trouble to secure fitting exterior locations, and the stage sets represent the best efforts of a resourceful art department. The photography is of unusual quality.

To Gerald C. Duffy belongs the credit for the scenario. The picture will be presented at the American theatre, today.

County Correspondence

Knox Items.

Mrs. Florence Coventon of Pecan Grove community is visiting Mrs. Walker and Mrs. Hampton at Knox Saturday and Sunday.

Farmers county union met in regular session on Saturday, 18th of December, and did some very important work.

The teachers and pupils of Latta high school gave pie supper on Friday night of last week. Everybody enjoyed themselves well.

Pie supper at Latta last week brought \$3.04. The proceeds of this supper and other suppers to be given all along during the term of school will be used in purchasing a piano for the school.

Mr. Rigby's sick daughter is reported to be improving.

The man on Mr. Allen's farm who was injured by a tractor is reported able to be up.

Uncle Charley Vassar is spending Christmas week with Mr. and Mrs. Hampton.

Weather was nice Saturday and Sunday but Monday morning comes in looking very dismal.

Mr. W. A. Hormon and family of Cleveland county, Oklahoma, came to Ada on a visit and have decided to locate in Ada. Mr. Hormon is a successful farmer of Cleveland county and we welcome him to Ada.

Mr. Hampton and family went to Ada shopping today.

All the tenants on the R. W. Allen farm went to Ada shopping today.

The people are experiencing some very, very cold weather now.

The young people as well as some of the older people are enjoying Santa Claus' visit.

Santa Claus was very generous to the writer; presented a fine large apple which was well appreciated.

Hurrah for my old friend Hon. Tom D. McKeown for introducing a bill for the relief of the cotton farmer.

All of the members of the farmers' union ought to write to Hon. Tom D., and show him their appreciation of his efforts.

The writer is already in correspondence with him along this line.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all is the wish of the writer. Yours truly

BEN V.

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The Legislature From the Inside

By LUTHER HARRISON

THE legislature of Oklahoma never adjourns. While the constitution provides for biennial sessions and limits the session to sixty days (permitting the body to sit longer at \$2.00 per day) and while motions to adjourn are regularly adopted along about St. Patrick's Day or soon thereafter, the legislature in a certain sense and a very vital one never adjourns.

Many people have come to dread the convening of the legislature. The more thrifty of our citizens regard the legislature as a spendthrift and view with alarm its convening and view with relief its adjournment. But it never in fact adjourns. The members leave the capitol and go home. But they leave in the capitol a certain vested power that can appropriate money by the thousands day after day. The legislative committees on appropriations adjourn without day, but the power to appropriate money never adjourns in Oklahoma.

When the legislature delegated to the governor the power to certify deficiency appropriations it created a perpetual legislature. While the legislature is in session less than three months in each twenty-four, the deficiency certifying power is in session every day of the 2-year period. This is often discouraging to legislators who want to make a record for economy. They arrange to work for reduced appropriations, only to discover on convening that deficiencies are outstanding sufficiently large to look like an omnibus appropriation bill. When the seventh legislature met in 1919 it found deficiencies aggregating about \$600,000 waiting for legislative approval. Deficiencies aggregating \$200,000 were submitted to the extraordinary session of the legislature last February.

Another very important cog in the money spending apparatus is furnished by the engineers of our public building program. It is no rare thing for a \$200,000 building to be started on a \$100,000 appropriation. Four years ago the legislature after due consideration appropriated \$75,000 to erect a certain building at one of our state institutions. Two years later when the legislature met the solons found that the \$75,000 had been expended in constructing only one wing of a building and that the aforesaid wing was useless unless an additional wing were constructed at a cost of \$100,000. Many other buildings are constructed on the same plan of intellectual dishonesty.

Two years ago the legislature appropriated \$250,000 to construct three sanatoria, one to cost \$50,000 and the other two to cost \$100,000 each. Work on two of these sanatoria began some months ago. The contract for the third one was let only last week. But the state department having to do with the management of these sanatoria is now asking the people of the state to urge the legislature to appropriate

more money "to finish the buildings." In their appeal for popular support they make this naive statement: "If you had started a barn and your money had given out before your barn was finished, would you go ahead and finish the barn or would you lose what you had done?"

There are two answers to that brilliant query. If the state gets caught in a trap of that character, the usual procedure is to ask the legislature for more money. But if an individual or company gets a contractor who starts a \$200,000 building when he has been instructed in black and white to start a \$100,000 building, the usual procedure is to stand on the contract and kick the contractor across several vacant lots.

The law permitting the executive to certify deficiencies ought to be repealed. Fundamentally it is a violation of a principle of free government fought for by the Anglo-Saxon from the days of Rummiede. The essentials that differentiate a free government from a despotism are the power of the commons to levy taxes and the power of the commons to appropriate money. Both these principles are violated when the commons delegate to the executive the power of appropriating money, for taxes must be levied as a matter of course to raise the money appropriated.

The law ought to be repealed for another reason. It empowers the executive to nullify the will of the representatives. A legislature can on the day of adjournment vote unanimously against an appropriation bill, and the very next day the governor can appropriate the money by signing a certificate of deficiency. He can even appropriate ten times as much as the legislature refused to appropriate. Yet some Oklahomaans seem to think that we have representative government in this state. It should be stated, however, that the legislature itself is responsible for this condition of affairs and gave this power to the governor as an economy measure, believing it would be cheaper to have the governor act alone than it would be to convolve the legislature in extraordinary session.

The legislature must also assume full responsibility for the custom of commencing a \$200,000 public building on an authorized appropriation of only \$100,000. Such a scheme is followed only because the legislature never has failed to appropriate the additional money. Officials and contractors know that the game while dishonest is safe because the legislature can be depended on to furnish the additional money. If the legislature would only refuse for a single time to stand for such a policy, that one time would be sufficient. It would look bad for an unfinished building to stand vacant, but the present policy of bilking the state does not look good.

Church News

Teacher Training Class.

The teacher training class will meet at the Christian church this evening at 7:30. The class will review the book of Genesis from the beginning up to the close, paying special attention to the part after the flood. This review will, therefore, include the life of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, and particularly that of Joseph. These are wonderful stories to everyone interested in understanding the Bible, and especially Sunday school teachers should be interested in being familiar with this part of the Bible. The class is preparing to take a test, but those who do not desire to take the test will be just as welcome to the class this evening as anyone else. We certainly hope every member of the class will be present this evening, and visitors are always welcome.

C. V. DUNN, Instructor.

Additions at the Christian Church. We were glad to receive in the fellowship of the Christian church yesterday Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Keirsey who live at 530 E. 13th. These people used to live in Ada and we are very glad to have them back with us. We understand that

they went from here to Sapulpa. They took membership by statement.

C. V. DUNN, Minister.

First Baptist Church.

There were 288 in Sunday school at the First Baptist yesterday. This was fairly good considering the fact that it was Christmas times and that so many of the regular attendants are out of town.

There were splendid congregations at both hours of worship and at the morning hour there were two additions by letter, and at the evening hour there was one profession of faith. Dr. Sam A. McKeel and Mrs. McKeel came to us by letter from the church at Sallisaw, Oklahoma. It is a delight to have this splendid family in the fellowship of our church. They have recently purchased the Hayes residence on South Broadway. Dr. McKeel is a practicing physician.

Mrs. Ray Willmoth presented herself as a candidate for baptism and the ordinance will be administered

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Still Able To Fight at Sasakwa Is Latest Report

The fanning of the flame of an ancient feud together with an admixture of corn whisky, hack-knives, revolvers and wagon spokes produced results at Sasakwa Christmas Eve which vie with any of the accomplishments of that village during red licker days.

The participants in the drama, which almost assuaged the proportions of a tragedy, were Lum Howard and Erbie Howard and George Howard on one side, and Charlie Bunch and Sam Wingfield on the other. Will Cross, a deputy sheriff, and a friend who were called upon to uphold the majesty of the law also added some spice to the excitement.

It is reported that things started when the three Howards surrounded their ancient enemy, Charlie Bunch, and proceeded to beat him up. A friend of Bunch's told Sam Wingfield of his friend's predicament and Sam rushed to the scene of combat to take the part of Bunch but before he arrived his friend made his get away and Sam was confronted by the three Howards alone.

In the encounter which resulted Wingfield received several ugly cuts about the head and face, one of which, starting at the forehead, laid his face open to the corner of his mouth, barely missing the left eye.

It is reported that Erbie Howard was arrested and placed in the village calaboose, and later in the evening, after a bond has been arranged for him, Deputy Cross, while stooping to unlock the door for his release, was hit over the head with a wagon spoke by one of the brothers, who, in turn, was rapped on the head with a six-shooter in the hands of a friend of the officer.

It is reported that George Howard was placed under arrest for striking the officer and was taken to Wewoka to jail where he will have his day in court.

Wingfield was brought to Ada and his wounds were dressed by a local doctor. Several ugly scars on the head and face will be about the only bad effects of the fight on him.

Cross was not seriously injured by the rap on the head and is said to be getting along nicely.

Howard was not seriously injured.

in the near future.—Clyde Calhoun Morris, pastor.

SURRENDER TO ITALIANS

(By the Associated Press.)

PARIS, Dec. 27.—Legionnaires of the Gabriel D'Annunzio and Dalmatian volunteers at Zara, a port south of Fiume, on the Dalmatian coast, have surrendered to Italian regulars, after failing in an attempt to capture the Italian warship Marsala. The volunteers captured the vessel, but the crew resisted and seized the Legionnaires landing them at Ancona, an Italian port on the western side of the Adriatic, says a Havas dispatch.

EMERGENCY TARIFF BILL IS MAIN ISSUE

(By the Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The emergency bill, which passed in the house this week, but lost temporarily in the senate through democratic opposition, constituted the principal business before the latter body today.

The republican proponents of the measure had rallied their forces for a vote to send the bill to the finance committee where they planned to hasten action and bring the fight to the senate floor by foregoing formal hearings.

Democratic opponents of the bill have announced that they will resort to the use of every parliamentary tactic at their command to delay consideration, but Senator Harrison of Mississippi, their leader, stated they did not hope to prevent ultimate reference to the committee. However, a long debate was in prospect with indications that the democrats will be found in a much more solid line-up than was the case in the house.

ITALIAN TROOPS DRAW IRON RING AROUND FIUME

(By the Associated Press.)

LONDON, Dec. 27.—Italian government troops were believed today to be slowly but surely closing the iron ring around Fiume, where Captain Gabriel D'Annunzio and his little force of Legionnaires.

Reports from the city have been meager, but it appeared that the soldiers commanded by General Cavaglia had forced the D'Annunzio line back to the outskirts of the city and that the fall of the city might not be long delayed.

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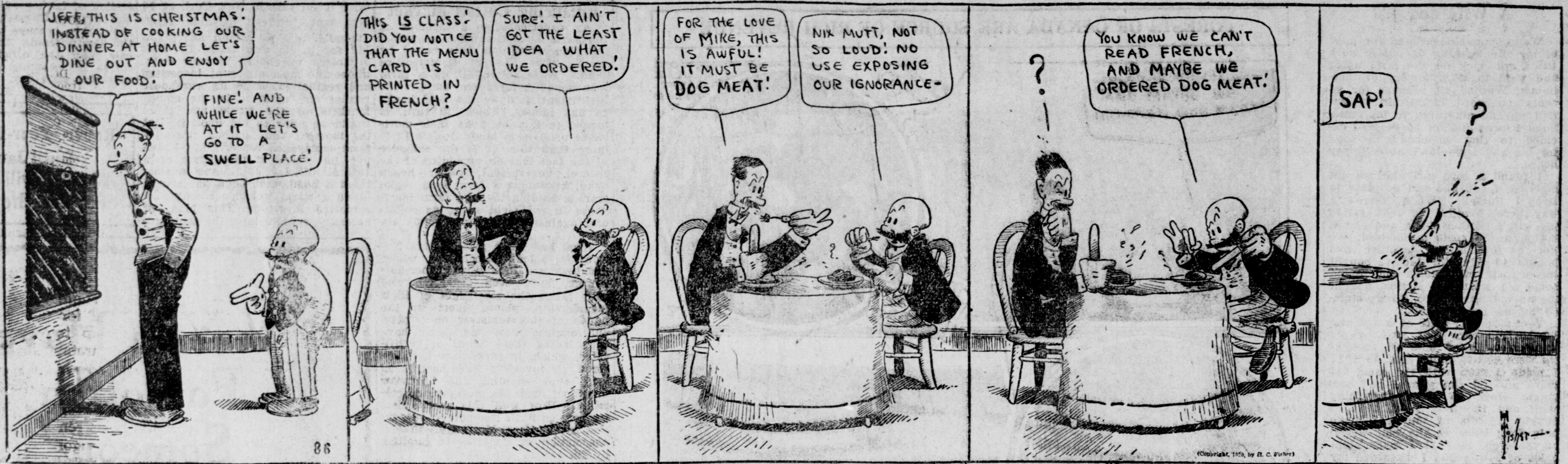
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WANTED—The people to read and heed for this is something you may surely need. Listen to the truth I am going to tell and act in a way that you may get well and if you are in doubt you will soon find out I am right. I treat cancers, tumors, ulcers, wens, old sores and a guarantee of a cure. No loss of blood, time or sleep, correspondence solicited. Y. N. Finley, 306 W. 15th street, Ada, Okla., phone 704.

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Lodges

A. F. & A. M.—Regular meeting of Ada Lodge No. 119, Monday night on or before the full moon in each month.—R. H. Gladwill, W. M.; F. C. Sims, secretary.

R. A. M.—Ada Chapter No. 26 Royal Arch Masons, meets the second Tuesday night in each month.—D. W. Swaffar, H. P.; F. C. Sims, secretary.

K. T. M.—Ada Commandery No. 16 Knights Templar Masons meets the third Friday night of each month.—M. F. Manville, E. C.; F. C. Sims, secretary.

W. O. W.—Ada Camp No. 558 meets every Tuesday night, 1. O. O. Hall, 7:30 o'clock.—H. C. Bennett, C. C.; C. E. Canning, clerk.

B. P. O. E.—Ada Lodge No. 1275 meets second and fourth Monday nights in each month.—H. Claude Pitt, secretary.

A. O. U. W.—Ada Lodge No. 40 meets first and third Tuesday nights, 1. O. O. F. Hall; visiting members welcome.—Blanche Brashers, M. W.; J. B. Emory, financier.

I. O. O. F.—Ada Lodge No. 146, regular meeting every Thursday.—J. B. Brown, N. G.; H. C. Evans, secretary.

MODERN WOODMEN—Lodge 10954 meets second and fourth Saturday nights of each month, at 1. O. O. F. Hall.—J. E. Russell, clerk.

WANTED—Someone to share office with me. See Dr. Lane over Shaw's. 12-27-31d*

Bonus Bill Costly.
(By the Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Passage of the soldier bonus bill would cost the government approximately two billion, three hundred million dollars, as Secretary Houston estimated today before the senate finance committee, considering the soldier's aid measure.

Yeggs Crack Safe.
By News' Special Service.
HENRYETTA, Dec. 27.—Yeggs cracked a safe of the Badger Auto Supply company at 3 o'clock this morning escaping with \$500 in cash.

Carpenters Wages Lower.
(By the Associated Press.)

ENID, Dec. 27.—Reduction in the wage scale of journeymen carpenters from \$1 to \$7 1/2 cents an hour, and of bricklayers from \$1.50 an hour to \$1.25, effective January 1, is announced by the local association of contractors. An agreement has been reached with the unions affected whereby the reductions will

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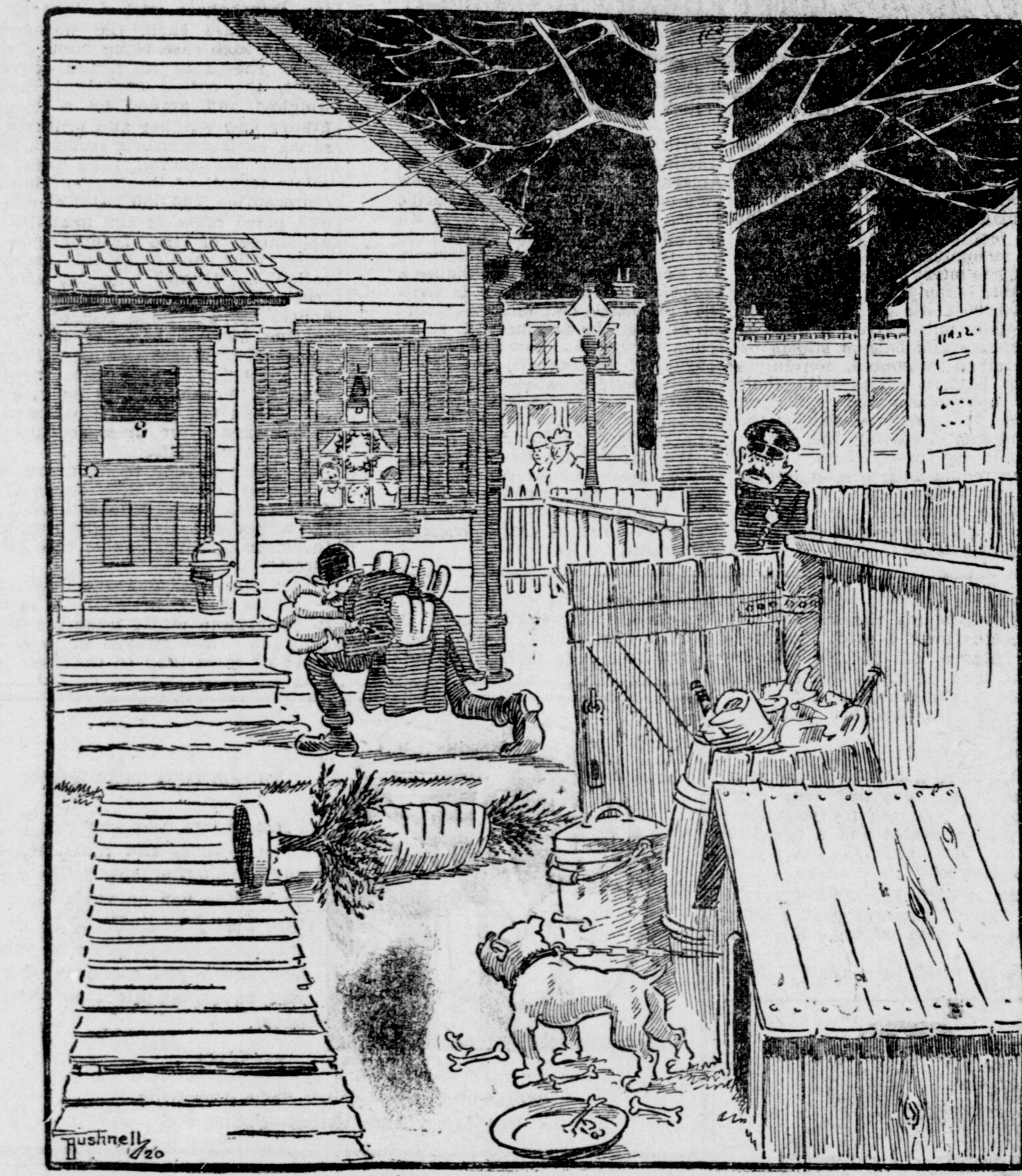
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be accepted, the contractors said. The wages for common laborers, now 50 cents an hour, will also be reduced, they said, although the extent of the contemplated reduction has not been made public.

New Church at Vinita.
(By the Associated Press.)

VINITA, Dec. 27.—Construction of the new \$30,000 Methodist church has begun here, after ground breaking ceremonies recently held at the site where the new church is being erected. In an address by Dr. Oliver Bagby, president of a local bank, it was pointed out that 38 years ago the church had a membership of 75, while now its membership is nearly 300.

Ten Thousand for Library.
(By the Associated Press.)

OKMULGEE, Dec. 23.—Plans specifying in a disbursement of a sum of \$10,000 for a public library have been perfected and work on the building will be under way in the spring. A. D. Kennedy, chairman of the library board, has announced. This sum has been voted in bonds for the erection of the building. The library board also contemplates securing \$15,000 from the Carnegie library fund, which will be applied to the collection of books and equipment.

Tax Blanks Wanted.
(By the Associated Press.)

OKLAHOMA CITY, Dec. 23.—Although the 1920 income tax blanks are not yet available, and will not be for several weeks, requests are already being received for them at the internal revenue department here, according to officials of the bureau. The blanks will be sent to Oklahoma City from Washington.

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Correspondence From Over the County

Knox Items.

B. V. Hampton of Knox and, who is an official of the Pontotoc county union, attended the regular Saturday afternoon meeting and reported a good time.

There was a farmers local union organized at the new consolidated school house at Latta last Saturday night by J. O. McMinn, county organizer.

Mrs. B. V. Hampton visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rigby and reported their sick daughter resting very nicely.

The Pontotoc county union has secured ground where they bulk their cotton and also secured the service of a United States cotton grader. "Hurrah for the union."

Nearly all the school houses in Pontotoc county have a farmers local union organized in it now. Look out, Mr. Street Buyer, your game is fast coming to an end in this county and state.

The boys of Knox community are out hunting for some wild game, such as opossum and rabbits. It seems as though Mr. Thompson is going into the hog business as he has purchased himself a fine bred sow.

The roads are badly in need of

Physician's Warning

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someone to give them an over-hauling. That is the roads from Knox to Latta. Overseer sitting on his job.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker of Knox drove to Ada today in their car. J. C. and Bruce Smith attended the Pontotoc county union.

Bruce Smith and his brother-in-law, Floyd McCloud, visited at Mr. and Mrs. Hampton's last Sunday.

Master Orville Bennett visited Master Colleen Hampton, his old playmate, Sunday.

Quite a number of bird hunters are seen in the fields, but the writer hasn't time to go out into his own fields to hunt for the bird, liked so very well by everybody.

Mr. Philipps, the man who got run over by a tractor, is improving at this time.

The farmers union of Pontotoc county thanks the News officials very much for extending to them free space in the Weekly News, and thanks, again and again.

The wind is blowing a nice gale from the south. Look out for a change soon.

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